



**Tom Barrett**  
Mayor, City of Milwaukee

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*Mayor Tom Barrett released the following statement regarding the recent Harley-Davidson Announcement on job cuts:*

“Harley-Davidson is one of Milwaukee’s flagship companies and the news today, while sad, is part of a larger national economic downturn. I’m deeply concerned with the number of job cuts.

The City of Milwaukee will continue to work with partners on multiple fronts to create a competitive business climate and I remain optimistic Harley-Davidson will emerge from these difficult times as it has in the past.

This is a 106-year-old company that has survived the depression, the economic turmoil of the 80’s and other difficult times. I’m confident Harley-Davidson will continue to be one of the most successful brands associated with the City of Milwaukee.”